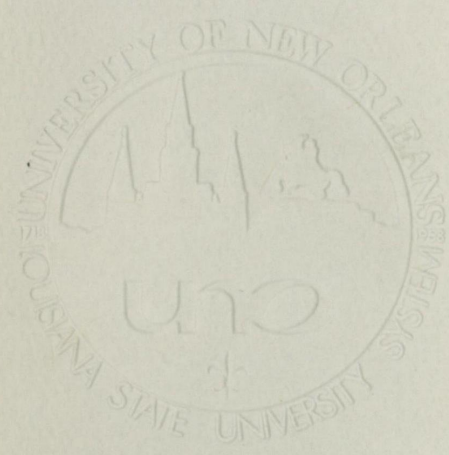

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University of New Orleans
Fall Commencement

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Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College Board of Supervisors

James P. Roy, *Chair* . . . . . Lafayette
R. Blake Chatelain, *Chair -Elect* . . . . . Alexandria
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Henry P. Barham, *Student Member* . . . . . Shreveport
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John George . . . . . Shreveport
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Stanley J. Jacobs . . . . . New Orleans
Alvin Kimble . . . . . Baton Rouge
Louis J. Lambert . . . . . Prairieville
Laura A. Leach . . . . . Lake Charles
James W. Moore, Jr. . . . . Monroe
Ben W. Mount . . . . . Lake Charles
Dorothy Reese . . . . . New Orleans
Jerry E. Shea, Jr. . . . . New Iberia
Roderick West . . . . . New Orleans

The procedure followed for the awarding of degrees at UNO and most other American universities is based on a practice developed at the University of Paris almost 800 years ago. In those days the Bishop of Paris, like every other bishop, was responsible for local educational curricula and degree-granting. His authority in these matters, however, soon came to be disputed by the teachers. They asserted that only they could be the proper judges of the qualifications of their students.

This threatened impasse was resolved by a compromise, under which the teachers, or masters, judged the merits of the students and then recommended them to the Bishop for their degrees. Today's ceremony includes a secularized version of that procedure. Each dean, as a representative of the faculty, certifies that the student candidates are qualified to receive their degrees. The President or other representative of the Board of Supervisors then awards the degrees.

Academic Costumes

The caps and gowns worn by graduates and faculty are based on costumes used in universities of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, particularly at Oxford and Cambridge in England. This academic dress has been used in the United States from colonial times and was standardized by an Intercollegiate Code in 1895. Like military of medieval times with its pages, squires, and knights, the academic world has long had three basic grades of dignity and achievement. These are undergraduates, bachelors, and masters (or doctors). The distinction between masters and doctors is comparatively recent; both imply the right to teach.

Black is the most common color for academic gowns. There is no trimming on the gowns for the bachelor's or master's degrees. For the doctoral degree, the gown is faced down the front with black or colored velvet and with three bars of the same across the sleeves. The color in the master's costume is restricted to the hood worn around the neck and down the back. This is lined with silk of a color which indicates the subject area of the degree received. Thus the master's hood from The University of New Orleans is black, lined in silver with a blue chevron and edged in white velvet for Arts, Letters, and Humanities, copper for Accounting, drab for Business, light blue for Education, orange for Engineering, brown for Fine Arts and Urban and Regional Planning, sage green for Health and Physical Education, pink for Music, dark blue for Philosophy, peacock blue for Public Administration, and golden yellow for Sciences.

Doctors have a larger and more open hood which, like the masters' hood, is lined with the colors of the degree-granting institution and trimmed with the color of the subject area of the degree received. As noted above, gowns have black or colored velvet on the sleeves and the front. A Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry, for example, will have a black velvet-edged gown and a hood trimmed in golden yellow. Usually doctors will wear a gold tassel on their cap. In recent years, some universities have broken away from the traditional scheme and allowed their doctors to wear brighter, more original costumes; for instance, Yale's blue with black trim and Harvard's crimson and black.

Hoods are not worn by candidates for bachelor's degrees at UNO.

Candidates who are members of certain select honors societies have been granted official permission to wear specified emblems of their organizations. No other ornamentation is permitted.

Academic Ceremonies

Many factors — such as the nature of the institution, the size of the graduating class, the weather, and the place of ceremony (indoors or outdoors) — affect the details of academic ceremonies. Institutions have wide latitude in meeting these conditions, and consequently there is considerable variation in customs. At UNO the commencement procession is composed of representatives of the faculty and a platform party consisting of administrative officials, representatives of the Board of Supervisors, the commencement speaker, the person giving the benediction and invocation, and distinguished guests.

Degrees are conferred in descending order, with doctorates first and bachelor's degrees last.

The University of New Orleans, then LSUNO, conferred its first bachelor's degrees to 65 candidates at the Spring Commencement of 1962. Its first master's degrees were awarded to six graduate students in 1965 and the first doctoral degree in 1967.

*Adapted in part from *American Universities and Colleges,* 6th Edition, Washington; American Council on Education, 1971.

University Mace

The University of New Orleans Mace is borne before the Platform Party as a symbol of authority in the Procession and Recession. The Platform Party is composed of the Chancellor, members of the Board of Supervisors, other University authorities, and distinguished guests.

The Mace was first presented on September 6, 1988 at the Academic Convocation commemorating the University's September 5, 1958 opening ceremony. Commissioned in January, 1988, the Mace was conceptualized by Professor Howard Jones, Chairman of the Department of Fine Arts, and refined and executed by Mr. Doug McCash, a graduate assistant working under the supervision of Professor Jones.

The Mace's bronze head is mounted on a mahogany shaft and has many levels of imagery. Subtle features of the artifact symbolize the composition, mission, and vitality of the University. Emblematic of authority, the Mace has the name and year of appointment of each of the University's Chancellor's engraved on separate bronze rings at the base of the shaft.

The Chancellor's Medallion

Traditionally, a University's chief executive officer possesses a badge of office that he or she wears at convocations, commencements, or other ceremonial occasions. To honor that custom, the original Chancellor's Medallion was struck and presented on the occasion of the inauguration of Dr. Leon J.V. Richelle, UNO's second chancellor, in 1981. In commemoration of UNO's 50th Anniversary in 2008, the UNO Federal Credit Union presented to the University the gift of a new Chancellor's Medallion to be worn by Chancellor Timothy P. Ryan and all successors to that office.

The entire antiqued silver-plated four-inch medallion and chain feature The University of New Orleans seal encircled by fourteen one-and-one-half inch squares and seventeen banners. Twelve of the squares are engraved with UNO above a fleur-de-lis. Two squares are engraved with the 50th Anniversary logo. Five of the banners are engraved with UNO's five Chancellors' names and dates of service. The banner immediately above the medallion bears the word *Chancellor.*

The remaining eleven banners are for the names of successors to the office. Variations of this medallion may be struck on special occasions to honor extraordinary and distinguished service to the University.

Academic Honors

The University of New Orleans recognizes students who attain academic honors in three ways. A student may pursue the normal curriculum of a subject area and obtain honors by virtue of high grades. There are three designations in this category: *summa cum laude* (with the highest praise), requiring an overall grade-point average of 3.900-4.000; *magna cum laude* (with great praise), requiring an overall grade-point average of 3.750-3.899; and *cum laude* (with praise), requiring an average of 3.500-3.749.

A student may also graduate with University Honors, which carries with it Honors in _____ (the particular field). This achievement requires the student to earn 30 honors credits through special courses and additional work in regular courses, maintain a grade-point average of at least 3.50 in the chosen subject area, with at least a 3.25 in all work taken, and write a senior honors thesis.

Or a student may follow the normal curriculum of a subject area, write a senior honors thesis, and graduate with Honors in _____ (the particular field). To achieve departmental honors, the student also maintains a grade-point average of at least 3.50 in the subject area, with 3.25 in all work taken.

We are pleased to recognize the following students as honors graduates at this commencement:

Summa Cum Laude

Justin Trevor Blackwell
Tracie Lee Garwood
Lauren Eugenia Gaudet
John James Mangipano
Ryan Paul McCloskey

Magna Cum Laude

Tonilyn Reneé Arceneaux
Ashley Lynn Carpenter
Hazel L. Champagne
Heather Marie Chapron †
Yu Mee Cho
Mallory Anne Davis
Julianne Michelle Dodds
Carly Danielle Dufour
Jada Maria Frazier
Avishek Ghosh
Jessica Leigh LeJeune
Jacky G. R. Mathieu †
Shatha Yousef Murad
Eduardo Wenceslao Murillo
Melissa Shannon Overstreet
Carrie Lynn Panter
Josie Lazette Parden †
Shannon Ann Rogers
Jennifer Katie Schindler
Emily Dianne Schmidt †
Vittoria Andraea Soleto
Ashley Elizabeth Thomas
Minh Vuong

†*Summer Graduate*

Cum Laude

Matthew Keith Adams
Deminic Marc Agoro-Ombaka
Hussain Hassan Al Marhoon
Suzannah Mohr Alexis
Qasim Kadhim Alkhafaf
Brittany Ann Bates
Krysten Blair
Wesley James Blanchard
Brianne Alicia Blanco
Stephen Isaac Blitz
Stefanie Jean Borger
Chloé Elizabeth Bourgeois
Maria Noelia Granja Castro †
Katharine Sue Chosa
Debra Miller Coll †
Hannah Faith Dailey
Carrilyn Joy Edrington †
Hayley Elizabeth Euper
Cecilia Isabel Flurillo Flaradiaga †
Karen Marie Fuselier
Linda Giang
Stephen Louis Guertin
Brian Joseph Guess
Keisha Dominique Hayes
Anita Louise Hedgepeth
Eric Briggs Heigle †
Sarah Brittany Hellemn †
Kelly Marie Hernandez
Jonathan Conrad Hill
Yao Hui
Rachel Denise Husser
Joy Elizabeth Kennard
Christina Annette Koch
Katrina Lynn Krause †
Keri Ann Krycki †
Charles Peter LaVoy
Kristy Marie Leonard
Todd Edward Macaluso †
Frances Goodell Marley
Michelle Neely Marshall
Andrew Joachim Novoa
Maria Jose Ortiz Eljuri
Kami L. Ownbey
Faith Catherine Pecoraro
Jennifer Francelia Renda
Sarah Elizabeth Richoux
Stacy Patricia Rodriguez
Jose Francisco Rubio
Christopher Omar Saybe
Georgiana Kober Teoulet
Rolla Absolam Tichenor V
George Brady Tillman III
Ashley Ann Watts
Anastasia A. Zhilyaeva

University Honors

Kristy Marie Leonard
Kami L. Ownbey

The list of candidates for graduation was prepared before final grades were reported; thus, the listing of a name in this program should not be construed as documentation that the person listed will, in fact, receive a degree from the University of New Orleans at this commencement. Conversely, some students who are not listed may be awarded degrees. The same applies to the listing of students graduating with honors.

The 2008 Fall Semester graduating class is comprised of students from the following states and countries:

Alabama
Arizona
Arkansas
California
Colorado
District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Louisiana
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Mississippi
Missouri
New Jersey
New York
North Carolina
Ohio
Oklahoma
Oregon
Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
South Carolina
Tennessee
Texas
Vermont
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia
Wisconsin

Austria
Bangladesh
Belize
Bulgaria
Canada
Central African Republic
China
Costa Rica
Ecuador
El Salvador
Germany
Haiti
Honduras
India
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Israel
Jamaica
Japan
Kenya
Korea, Republic of
Kuwait
Mali
Morocco
Nicaragua
Nigeria
Norway
Pakistan
Philippines
Poland
Puerto Rico
Romania
Russian Federation
Saudi Arabia
Sierra Leone
Spain
Taiwan, Province of China
Turkey
Uganda
Ukraine
United Arab Emirates
United Kingdom
United States
Venezuela
Viet Nam
Yugoslavia

Saturday, December 20, 2008

PROGRAM

PRESIDING
Dr. James W. Logan Jr., *Dean*
College of Business Administration

PROCESSIONAL

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Elizabeth Ulloa Lowry

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
James Bernazzani

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Dr. Timothy P. Ryan, Chancellor
University of New Orleans

ALMA MATER
Elizabeth Ulloa Lowry

RECESSIONAL

COLLEGE MARSHALS
Erich Brockmann
Mike Easley
Daryl Noll
Dinah Payne
David Pearlman
Milton Pressley
Kevin Watson

It is customary for the audience to stand during the Processional and National Anthem, and again at the end of the ceremony until the Recessional is over.

College of Business Administration

James W. Logan, Jr., Dean

Doctor of Philosophy

Oi Lin Cheung †
Financial Economics
B.A., Universidade De Macau, 1994
M.B.A., Universidade De Macau, 1997
M.S., University of New Orleans, 2006
Dissertation: *Two Essays on the Role of Information in the Interaction between American Depository Receipts and Their Home Shares: Information Transfer and Issuer Decisions*
Major Professor: *Peihwang Philip Wei*

Andrew Kayanga
Financial Economics
B.A., Makerere University, 1983
B.S., University Nevada Las Vegas, 2000
M.B.A., Boston College, 2002
Dissertation: *Essays in Corporate Governance: Issues and Evidence from Equity Carve-outs*
Major Professors: *Atsuyuki Naka*

Wei-Xuan Li
Financial Economics
B.A., Soochow University, 1995
M.S., Drexel University, 1998
Dissertation: *Two Essays on Liquidity: Information Related Trading on Two Nearly Identical Options and the Importance of the Liquidity Premium in the Presence of Declining Transactions Costs*
Major Professors: *Neal Maroney & Peihwang Philip Wei*

Vijay Vishwakarma †
Financial Economics
B.Sc., Punjab University, 1994
M.Sc., Punjab University, 1996
M.B.A., CSJM University, 1999
M.S., University of New Orleans, 2005
Dissertation: *Family Ownership and its Impact on Diversified Indian Business Groups and IT Outsourcing Decisions and Firm Value*
Major Professor: *Tarun Mukherjee*

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

Master of Business Administration

Pawan Adhikari †
Manuel Antonio Andrade
Aubry Lynn Andressen
Hugh Anthony Andrews
Susan Ilene Andrews
Paul C. Aragon †
Mark Hymel Arceneaux Jr.
Ralph William Bates II
Amy Carol Borrell
Nicholas John Bousquet †
Willie E. Bradley
David M. Brayden
Hank Michael Breaux
Matthew Wayne Brogdon
D'Andrea Monique Brown
Jason Cade
Blair Patrick Casey
Gina Isabel Centeno
Elaine Buhls Christoph
Brooklyn Mackenna Cole
Josefine Danielsson †
Taifa Shanaz Darensburg
Carlos Lenard Deloach †
Thong Nguyen Do
Melissa Marie Dubuc
Matthew Xavier Dureau
Sirron Evans †
Jason-Paul Ferrand
Jeandele Trenita Frank
Stephen Alan Gaspard Jr. †
Elisabeth Glickler
Onder Gonenc Gokcek
Jessica Erin Green
Alex Jade Guidry
Michael Francis Haffner Jr. †
Terrell Bernard Hall
André Thomas Haydel
Abner William Hearn III †
Thuy Trang Ho
Chinh Hoang
David Michael Hymel Jr.
Yewande T. Idowu
Emmanuel George Ioannidis †
Desiree Nicole Jackson
Paul Whitman Johnson †
Richard Ory Joint
Brittany Bishop Jones
Anthony Jared Junot
Michelle Meisler Keyes †
Joshua Aaron King
Christopher Thomas Klotz
Jessica Akua Kudji
Philip Delane Ladner Jr.
Jeanne Lauren Landry
Gavin M Langston †
Allen T. Liu
Amy Louise Lyon
Casey Turner Magee †
Victoria L. Malone
Michelle Ann Marino
Nicolas Claude Martin-Minaret †
Jason Michael Maurin †
Christopher Jude Messonnier
Jonathan Ashburn Miller
Mohanad Mohammed
Dana M. Naquin
Jeffery Wayne Naquin
Alicia Renee Nodier †
Ernest Briant Norman IV
Maria Pizzarella
Kenneth Fontaine Poore
Alexander Preston
Jennifer Hartley Puglisi
Ana Emilia Quingalahua
Gayle Marie Quinlan
Jonathan Miner Ream † *
Bryan Michael Rivera
Bridget Erin Ryan
Gerard Michael Schmitz
Pamela Serrano
Donald Joseph Sharp II
John A. Stassi III
Michael Thanner
Jennie Carter Thibodaux
Julie Ann Trammel
Frederick Allen Treuting Jr.
Rebecca Michelle Truitt
Joshua Dean Vander Hey

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Charles John Ventura
Nathalie Lilia Vidal
Krystle Nicole Weathersby
John Eric Whittemore
Virginia Robertson Williams
Nikesha R. Woodridge
Haibo Yao

Master of Science

Sabha Fatima Ahmed
Health Care Management
Sadiha Bushra Ahmed
Health Care Management
Jessica Michelle Arabie †
Accounting – Taxation Option
Jed Garrett Barger
Health Care Management
Gregory Ronald Barker
Health Care Management
Christie Lynn Boudan
Accounting – Taxation Option
Alan Joseph Bowers, M.D.
Health Care Management
Jereld Francis Cammack †
Hospitality and Tourism Management
Frederick Matthew Carter †
Accounting – Taxation Option
Troy Paul Chesterman
Health Care Management
Shannon Champagne Crews
Accounting
Keith Michael Darcey
Health Care Management
Khoa Minh Do
Accounting
Ambreen Fazal
Health Care Management
Rachel Elizabeth Galarza
Health Care Management
Phillip Allan Gallaty III
Accounting
Kristie Michelle Hagstette
Hospitality and Tourism Management
Melody Anne Hassell
Health Care Management
Amanda Mae Hazel
Health Care Management
Clara Jean Hollis
Health Care Management
Katherine M. Jolivette
Health Care Management
Vernon Odell Jones II
Health Care Management
Zhanna Lamanna
Hospitality and Tourism Management
Dana Marie Lampard
Health Care Management
William Joseph Landry
Health Care Management
Lindsey Patout Madere
Accounting
Ayesha Keyonna Martin
Health Care Management
Charles Martin Melder
Accounting
Michael David Needham
Accounting
Michele Avery Norris
Health Care Management
Sean Patrick O'Neill
Accounting – Taxation Option
Thomas Bowson Plunkott III
Health Care Management
Moammad Nakibur Rahman
Financial Economics
Deoine Reed
Health Care Management
Scott Edward Riddell
Health Care Management
Ashley Simoneaux Roniger
Health Care Management
Kelsi Bernard Schmitz
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Danielle L. Sistrunk
Health Care Management
Aisha Maria Smith
Health Care Management
Desmond Jerral Sowells
Health Care Management
Kassidy Nicole Sutton
Health Care Management
Shu Tian †
Financial Economics
Raeann R. Totaro
Health Care Management
Tani T. Vo
Accounting – Taxation Option
Doni Kusuma Wardana †
Accounting
Diana Kim Washington
Health Care Management
William Ryan Wasson †
Accounting
Shawn Gilthorpe Weese †
Accounting
Terri Michelle Wilson
Health Care Management
Lingting Yang †
Accounting

Bachelor of Science

Mohammad Khalid Abubshait †
Daniel Lindsay Acosta
Matthew Keith Adams *
Cum Laude
Abdelrahman H. Ahmed
Mohamed Adnan Ahmed
Aziz Saleem Akhtar
Suzannah Mohr Alexis
Cum Laude
Turki AbdulRahman Alhamed
Majed Saad Al-Jindan
Tonilyn Reneé Arceneaux *
Magna Cum Laude
Miranda Burr Audibert
Brandon Michael Ayler †
Deleisha Marie Baker
Rachel Haik Baldassaro
Patrick James Barbaro
Cody Joseph Bellanger
Kayleigh Arlette Bellant
Allison Frances Bergeron
Aimee Parham Bernard
Harpreet Kaur Bishanpal
Brianne Blanco
Cum Laude
Stephen Isaac Blitz
Cum Laude
Harry Gerard Bonnet †
Lisa Elizabeth Bonura
Staci Bonura
Landon Christopher Boone
Anthony Christopher Booth
Kyle Bordelon
Patricia Ann Bordelon
Brad Ryan Bordenave
Robert Charles Borel
Stefanie Jean Borger
Cum Laude
Meki Molanna Bostick
Matthew Joseph Bouvier
Dustin Benilde Bowen †
Brock Landon Boyer
Lawrence Emile Bradbury III
Angela Kristen Breaux †
Brittany Nicole Brignac-Fairman
Ashley Nicole Brockhaus
Richard Enrique Brooke †
Randy John Broussard
Rishaun Patterson Bruce
Richard Ferdinand Bucalan
Kelly Lannan Burks
Whitney Nicole Calais
Warren Lawrence Campo IV
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Emilia Emilievna Canales
Samuel D. Carmant

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Ashley Lynn Carpenter *
Magna Cum Laude
Marc Chabane †
Heather Marie Chapron †
Magna Cum Laude
Carla Ann Chiasson
Yu Mee Cho
Magna Cum Laude
Debra Miller Coll †
Cum Laude
Michel Teresa Colwet
Nicole Grace Cooper
Ashley Marie Corona
LaTonia Michelle Coverson
Daniel Ross Crane
Jessica Lynne Creel †
Bryan M. Cryer
Lucas Joseph Cuccia II
Justin Michael Cunningham
Minh-Quan Vu Dao
Timothy Patrick Davis †
Vanesa Del Socorro Davis
Brett Lambert Dawson †
Leonel De Jesus
Charles Edwards DeBlieux
Robert John DeBlois †
Megan Lynne DeFraites
Tara Lynn Dembrun
Daniel Dilberger
Ryan DiLeo
Thu Thanh Dinh
Nicole E. D'Luca
Katie Lynn Doyle
James Walker Dry
Elizabeth Maria Duboue †
Mark Dugan Jr.
Carrilyn Joy Edrington †
Cum Laude
Tony Omar Edwards †
Quinn Michael Eubranks
Hayley Elizabeth Euper
Cum Laude
Charicki Jamelah Evans †
Chirstopher Michael Faucheaux †
Cindy Marie Ferrell
Maria N. Figueroa
Tania A. Fonseca †
Jared Royce Fowler
Julie Christine Fox
Jada Maria Frazier *
Magna Cum Laude
Lacy Christiansen Gallagher
Steven Joseph Gauthier Jr.
Ross Michael Gernon
Avishek Ghosh
Magna Cum Laude
Linda Giang
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Jenna Rae Gibson
John Austin Gibson
Christine Ann Giordano
Jeffrey Marc Gonzalez
Julie Maria Gordon
Kristy Maria Gordon
Kathryn Ann Gorman
Michelle Marie Graci †
Johnathan Phillip Graham
Shannon C'ann Green
Timothea Green
Randy Wayne Greff
Gergory Grullon
Courtney Elizabeth Guidry
Frances Soraya Gutierrez
Christina Paula Harris
Karen Burton Hattier
Sandra Claire Hebert
Shawn A. Hebert †
Ryan Daniel Held
Jerome Vincent Helmstetter †
Trenice Patrice Henderson
Rayna Gardner Hernandez
Lisa A. Hinton
Mary Catherine Hock †
Mark Bernard Hocke
Christina Hoffman †
Jessica Ann Holcomb
Kathryn Elaine Hoppmeyer
Yating Hsieh
Rain Yuying Huang †
Rachel Denise Husser **
Cum Laude
Jamie Marie Janusa †
Joshua Paul Johnson †
Nicole Marie Jolley

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Monique Cynthia Keeler †
John Peter Keller
Elsa Nicole Kern †
Julia Kaye Khani
Elizabeth Butler Killen
Jason Anthony King
Nira Kohli †
Dobrila Kovacevic
Anna Kulinska †
Jason Edward Kuperman
Courtney Kaough La Borde
Dustin Kristopher Lagos
Victoria Thi Lam
Stephanie Marie Lauman
Courtney Michelle LeBlanc
Pamela Canal LeBlanc
Seth Jordan Leblanc †
Mark Anthony LeBlanc II
Kori Charell Lee
Mia Rachel Lee
Nicholas Andrew Leggio
Ashlei S. Leonard
Brittney Renae Lewis
Yu-Chu Lin
Michael Joseph Linam
Tanya Lizardo †
Leslie André Lopez
Nancy Gilkes Lovejoy
Paul Michael Lumpkin
Todd Edward Macaluso †
Cum Laude
Chad Joseph Maggio †
Dominick Anthony Mancuso †
Tracy Fabacher Marcev †
Larry Ray Marquez II
Ryan Bosworth Martin
Frederick Walter Massarini Jr.
Matthews Michael Matthews
Ryan Paul McCloskey
Summa Cum Laude
Joshua Paul McDonald
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Anthony Cordale McGuire
Danielle Lynn Menge
Tralane Donald Mercadel
Hunter F. Miller
Courtney Anita Milligan
Gia Theresa Misuraca
Eisha Sadaf Mohiuddin †
Samuel Gray Moody Jr.
Larry John Morales
Sergio Arturo Morales
Jackson John Mwatibo
Ryan Joseph Navarre
Charlie Hai Nguyen
Christina Nguyen
Cung Quoc Nguyen
Dat Vu Nguyen
Hiep Thai Nguyen
Liem Duc Nguyen
Marie Tram Nguyen
Tram Hoang Nguyen †
Ty Hoa Nguyen †
Van Thi Thuy Nguyen
Oleksiy Nimkevych †
Angelle Pearl Noel
Andrew Joachim Novoa
Cum Laude
Marc Antony Nuar
Anusha Reddy Nukala †
Javier Danilo Ochoa
Eric Allen Ogle
Adam Paul Orgeron
Tatyana Orlova †
Maria Jose Ortiz Eljuri
Cum Laude
Katherine Elizabeth Oser
Mia Angelette Owen
Frank Palmisano
Heena Dalpat Patel †
Jennifer Ann Pavon
Polina Aleksandrova Pechenyakova
Mark Eustis Perez-Sandi
Kathryn A. Perilloux
Jonathan Mitchell Perkins
Kory Charles Peters
Richard Clayton Ponder Jr. †
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Blaine Paul Prestenbach †
Kimberly Ann Price
David Michael Quintini †
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Amanda Michelle Rackley
Randall J. Ranatza
Don Henry Raymond †
Jeremy Isaac Reed
Marcus Reine Donavon Reine
Margaret Jeannine Rigney †
Valerie Ann Riley
Eiman Awni Rimawi
Lisa Gressett Roberts
Earl Theodore Roche
Gerald Philip Roser III
Rebecca Jane Roundtree
Matthew Rousselle †
Jose Francisco Rubio
Cum Laude
Christopher Michael Russo
Marcus DeWayane Ryan
Scott Adam Savoie
Scott Savoy
Christopher Omar Saybe **
Cum Laude
Shanna Marie Schexnayder
Karen Leigh Schneider
Tory Marie Sciortino
Kruzshander Lejon Scott
Renita Ann Scott
Clinton Joseph Scroggs
Ronald David Scullin
Amanda Daret Seghers
David Christopher Sequeira †
Jacob J. Serigne
Kristy Marie Shanklin
Michael C. Shedrick
Ashley Michaele Shreve †
James Henry Shurte
Lawrence Michael Sinatra
Christopher Smith
Karen Sofio
Michael Christopher Spinato
Leslie Ann Stewart
Marvin L. Stewart Jr.
Christopher David Suter
Jill Alexandra Sutton
Lindsay Adelle Talley
James Cornelius Tauzon
Michael Edward Taylor
Georgiana Kober Teoulet
Cum Laude
Ashley Elizabeth Thomas
Magna Cum Laude
Michael McKowen Thornton
Rolla Absolam Tichenor V
Cum Laude
Christopher Kevin Tiemann
Martin Flavio Tijerino
Brent Michael Toca
Kornar Toygar
Julie Thao Tran
Minh Cong Tran †
Nguyet Anh Tran
Tam Thi Thanh Tran
Xuan Thu Thi Tran †
Barbara May Traylor †
Shuntrell Jwan Trotter
Anslem Chinonso Ufombah
Michael Velasquez
Cammi Anne Vidrine
Kimanh Thi Vu
Minh Vuong
Magna Cum Laude
Joseph Waguespack
Brandon Michael Wahl
Tiffanie Michelle Walcott
Echette James Washington †
Jarriel Washington †
Leonard Christopher Washington Jr †
Blaine Kevin Western Jr.
Darren Michael Westfall
Eric Jason Wicks
Brian Don Wilcox Jr.
Delina Juliana-Olivia Williams
Robert Williams
Shernericka LeShay Williams
Jarrod Edward Wills
Suzanne Michele Wilson
Chandra Yarnell Winn
Amanda Michelle Wood
Danadrewnetta Leeshelia Wooden
Jenna L. Wright
Ashley Ileana Young

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*

***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

College of Education and Human Development Commencement

Saturday, December 20, 2008

PROGRAM

PRESIDING
Dr. James Meza, *Dean*
College of Education and Human Development

PROCESSIONAL

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Dr. Kyle Scafide

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESSES
Gaylyn Reilly Danner, *Class of 1962*
Merle Triche Harris, *Class of 1963*

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Dr. Timothy P. Ryan, *Chancellor*
The University of New Orleans

ALMA MATER
Dr. Kyle Scafide

RECESSIONAL

COLLEGE MARSHALS
Patricia Austin
Helene Derbigny
Lynette Silvestri

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College of Education and Human Development

James Meza, Jr., Dean

Doctor of Philosophy

Charles Arlene Collins Barjon †
Counselor Education
B.A., University of New Orleans, 1975
M.Ed., University of New Orleans, 1982
M.Ed., University of New Orleans, 1998
Dissertation: *The Impact of Hurricane Katrina on Public School Counselors and Their Delivery of Responsive Services to Students*
Major Professor: Barbara Herlihy

Felicia Maria Vaughn Coleman
Educational Administration
B.S., McNeese State University, 1981
M.A., McNeese State University, 1998
Dissertation: *Quality in Education: Perspectives Regarding Baldridge-based Practices and Instructional Leadership in Middle Schools*
Major Professor: Tammie Causey-Konate

Christine Holbrook Ebrahim † *
Counselor Education
B.A., University of Mississippi, 1993
M.S., Loyola University, 2004
Dissertation: *The Use, Beliefs, Perceived Barriers, and Methods of Delivery of Play Therapy by Elementary School Counselors*
Major Professor: Louis V. Paradise

Robert Blanchard Gardner † *
Counselor Education
B.S., Auburn University, 1982
M.Ed., University of New Orleans, 2005
Dissertation: *A Holistic Assessment of the Perceived Supportive Care Needs of Cancer Patients during Treatment*
Major Professor: Louis V. Paradise

Patricia Glaser
Curriculum and Instruction
B.S., St. Mary's Dominican College, 1977
M.C.D., Louisiana State University Health Science Center, 1981
Dissertation: *Beyond Katrina: Designing a Unique Charter School in New Orleans: Community, Pedagogy, Governance, Finance, and Bureaucracy*
Major Professor: April Bedford

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

Noriko Ito †
Curriculum and Instruction
B.A., Doshisha University, 1998
M.Ed., Southeastern Louisiana University, 2002
Dissertation: *Exploring the Nature of Language Anxiety: Experiences of Non English-Speaking College Students in the United States*
Major Professor: Richard Speaker

Micah Lizabeth Patureau-Hatchett †
Counselor Education
B.A., University of New Orleans, 1998
M.Ed., University of New Orleans, 2001
Dissertation: *Counselors' Perceptions of Training, Theoretical Orientation, Cultural and Gender Bias, and Use of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders-IV-Text Revision*
Major Professor: Louis V. Paradise

Libby Ann Schayot
Counselor Education
B.A., University of New Orleans, 1979
M.Ed., University of Southern Mississippi, 1994
Dissertation: *School Counselors' Perceptions of Their Academic Preparation in Their Roles as Professional School Counselors*
Major Professor: Roxane L. Dufrene

Master of Education

Stacey Gordon Barry *
Educational Administration
John Adair Barthelemy
Educational Administration
Marika Charlene Barto *
Curriculum and Instruction
Dana Garay Bunting
Human Performance & Health Promotion
Ronald Lee Butcher
Curriculum and Instruction
Jennifer Bonin Cockrell
Curriculum and Instruction
Nancy Seney Cross
Counselor Education
Katherine Dilzell †
Curriculum and Instruction
Candice Fremen Dinicola
Curriculum and Instruction
Giselle Marie Evans
Educational Administration
Guy Carlton Farber
Educational Administration
Mellissa O. Forcier
Educational Administration
Kristen Virginia Gauchet
Counselor Education
Joyce Bracey Godbold
Counselor Education
Susan Castle Gremillion †
Special Education–Mild Moderate
Linda Darby Guidry
Counselor Education
Marco Jerome Iverson
Human Performance & Health Promotion
Raul Marquois Jackson
Curriculum and Instruction
Sherene Jones
Counselor Education
Meghan Kennedy
Special Education–Early Intervention

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
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Fouzia Parveen Khan *
Curriculum and Instruction
Molly Clare Maroney
Curriculum and Instruction
Pamela DeShawn Marshall
Educational Leadership
Daphne Jarrell Miller
Curriculum and Instruction
Kanestra Auturo Conley Mitchell †
Counselor Education
Adrienne M. Naquin-Bolton
Counselor Education
William H. Ollendike
Counselor Education
Katie Rao Panks †
Special Education–Early Intervention
Erin Elizabeth Pirrung
Counselor Education
Tonya Michelle Plaisance
Counselor Education
Michael James Prat Jr.
Educational Administration
Glen Anthony Rayford
Curriculum and Instruction
Crystal Elizabeth Ricard
Curriculum and Instruction
Alisa Gros Roy †
Educational Leadership
LaToya Patrice Samuels
Curriculum and Instruction
Lilian Conrad Schroeder *
Special Education–Early Intervention
Allyson L. Shulman
Counselor Education
Robin Denise Simmons
Curriculum and Instruction
Jennifer Lynn Skorlich
Counselor Education
Illona Catherine Smith †
Special Education–Mild Moderate
Karyn Gayle Partin Swain †
Special Education–Mild Moderate
Sylvia Arlene Warren
Counselor Education
Julie Catherine Weber
Curriculum and Instruction
Jerome Anthony White
Curriculum and Instruction
Stephen Harrell White
Educational Administration
Richell Lindsay Winchester
Curriculum and Instruction

Bachelor of Arts

Ashley Marie Collins
Keri Lynn Jackson
Katrina Lynn Krause †
Cum Laude
Lindsey Patricia Lowenberg †
Gergory Charles Patterson Jr.

Bachelor of Science

Ashley Maria Alexander
Dwayne Anthony Berry †
Jessica Marie Boone
Melissa Rose Chatagnier
Glenda Raye Credeur
Amber Christine Cronin
Amy B. DeLaune
Paige Dyer
Tramon Junius Gaddison †
Lauren Eugenia Gaudet *
Summa Cum Laude
Andrell Demetria Harvey
Jennifer Rachel Jennings †
Kristyn N. Lenfant
Dominique Angelé Lucien †
Monique Deondra Mills

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**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

Leah Marie Palestina
Faith Catherine Pecoraro
Cum Laude
Ashleigh Larkin Pelafigue
Stacy Patricia Rodriguez
Cum Laude
Emily Dianne Schmidt †
Magna Cum Laude
Erika Leigh Szabo †
Sanuel Joseph Trapani †
Ashley Renee Triggs
Shellie Bracken Watkins
Andrea Williams †

†Summer Graduate
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
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PROGRAM

PRESIDING
Dr. Russell Trahan, Jr., *Dean*
College of Engineering

PROCESSIONAL

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Ryan Garrity

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Colonel Jeff Bedey, Ret.
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

STUDENT SPEAKER
Jennifer Schindler

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Mr. Henry P. Barham, *Student Member*
Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College
Board of Supervisors

ALMA MATER
Ryan Garrity

RECESSIONAL

COLLEGE MARSHALS
Pierre Champagne
Norman Whitley

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College of Engineering

Russell E. Trahan, Dean

Doctor of Philosophy

College of Engineering/College of Sciences

David Bourg
Engineering and Applied Science – Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering
B.S., University of New Orleans, 1992
M.S., University of New Orleans, 1993
Dissertation: *Development of the Distributed Points Method with Application to Cavitating Flow*
Major Professor: William Vorus

Siamak Mokhtarnejad
Engineering and Applied Science – Civil Engineering
B.S., Nicholls State University, 1978
M.S., University of New Orleans, 1994
Dissertation: *Storm Water Management Using a High Density Rainfall Network Along With Long Term Records*
Major Professor: John A. McCorquodale

Jay Ratcliff
Engineering and Applied Science – Civil Engineering
B.S., Tulane University, 1979
M.S., University of New Orleans, 1994
Dissertation: *Abrupt Climate Change and Storm Surge Impacts in Coastal Louisiana in 2050*
Major Professor: John A. McCorquodale

Angel Gabriel Retana
Engineering and Applied Science – Civil Engineering
B.S., Universidad de Costa Rica, 1997
M.S., University of New Orleans, 1999
Dissertation: *Salinity Transport in a Finite-Volume Sigma-Layer Three-Dimensional Model*
Major Professor: Enrique J. La Motta

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

Master of Science

Jared Michael Acosta
Engineering
Aditya Mohan Aggarwal †
Engineering
Luis M. Carvajal
Engineering Management
Ryan Walter Cochran † *
Engineering
Carmelo Javier Guiterrez
Engineering Management
David A. Hallner
Engineering Management
Denis Joseph Hoerner Jr.
Engineering
Guy Brendan Kayne
Engineering
Dinesh Mohanlal Kewalramani
Engineering
Nadia Elizabeth Larrea Vergara
Engineering Management
Federico Portillo
Environmental Engineering
Nadia Carolina Roa †
Environmental Engineering
Nadima Carolina Roa
Engineering Management
Andrew William Roberts †
Engineering
Christian Bernard Robles
Engineering Management
Scott Michael Schroth
Engineering
Mark Eric VanZandt †
Engineering
Nathan Yeater
Engineering
Lei Zhao †
Engineering

Bachelor of Science

Kayode Ayodele Adewumi
Hussain Hassan Al Marhoon
Cum Laude
Danielle Amanda Berthelot
Robert Patrick Brennan
Lesley Lynn Cedotal
John Lawrence Crosby III
Mallory Anne Davis *
Magna Cum Laude
Fallon M. Farber
Cecilia Isabel Flurillo Flaradiaga †
Cum Laude
Darryel Francis Gagne
Xavier Marcelo Granja
Maria Noelia Granja Castro †
Cum Laude
Ernesto Gabriel Guevara Brito †
Garnet Munro Hardin
Ryan Louis Ingerick
Luis Oswaldo Jacome
Andrew Thomas Kane
Maris Vernon Kearns IV
Jason Allen Kent
Peter Joseph Klein
René John Lanlois III
Isidore Joseph Marshall Jr.
David E. Moore
Eduardo Wenceslao Murillo
Magna Cum Laude
Cuong Nguyen
John Thomas Nicolaides
Andrew Thomas Oakman
Jennifer Katie Schindler
Magna Cum Laude
Ashley Theresa Taylor
George Brady Tillman III
Cum Laude
Stephen Lloyd Torres
Lori Marie Toups
Denise Nicole Turner
Jeffrey Paul Vollmer
Joseph Samuel Weaver II
Cheli LaBalle Weigand
Anastasia A. Zhilyaeva
Cum Laude

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**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
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College of Liberal Arts Commencement

Friday, December 19, 2008

PROGRAM

PRESIDING
Dr. Susan E. Krantz, *Dean*
College of Liberal Arts

PROCESSIONAL

NATIONAL ANTHEM
RuthAnn Blake, *Graduating Senior*

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Leon Cannizzaro, J.D., *District Attorney*
Orleans Parish

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Mr. Henry P. Barham, *Student Member*
Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College
Board of Supervisors

ALMA MATER
RuthAnn Blake, *Graduating Senior*

RECESSIONAL

COLLEGE MARSHALS
Janet Barnwell
Scott Farrin
Juana Ibanez
Robin Werner

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College of Liberal Arts

Susan E. Krantz, Dean

Doctor of Philosophy

Ursula Daxecker †
Political Science
M.A., University of New Orleans, 2003
Dissertation: *Critical Events, Commitment, and the Probability of Cold War*
Major Professor: Michael G. Huelshoff

John Laurie
Urban Studies
B.A., Flagler College, 1997
M.S., University of New Orleans, 2002
Dissertation: *Spring Break: The Economic, Socio-cultural and Public Governance Impacts of College Students on Spring Break*
Major Professors: Ivan Miestchovich and John Wildgen

Tara O'Neill †
Urban Studies
B.A., Trinity University, 1993
M.S., University of Texas at Austin, 1999
Dissertation: *Subsidized Housing, Private Developers and Place: A Spatial Analysis of the Clustering of Low Income Housing Tax Credit Properties in the 25 Largest U.S. Cities*
Major Professor: Jane Brooks

Corina Schulze †
Political Science
B.A., New Mexico State University, 2000
M.A., University of New Orleans, 2002
Dissertation: *Maternity Leave Policy in U.S. Police Departments and School Districts: The Impact of Descriptive and Social Group Representation in a Context of Gendered Institutions*
Major Professors: Christine Day and Richard Engstrom

Marshall Truehill Jr.
Urban Studies
B.S., Xavier University, New Orleans, 1973
M.Div., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 1986
D.Min., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 1990
Dissertation: *The Capacity of the Black Protestant Church to Provide Social Ministry in Post-Katrina New Orleans*
Major Professor: Pamela Jenkins

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

Master of Fine Arts

Anny Ballardini †
Film, Theatre, and Commication Arts
Mawiyah Kai EL-Jamah Bomani
Film, Theatre, and Commication Arts
Jessica Elizabeth Fiorini
Film, Theatre, and Commication Arts
James Wesley Harris
Film, Theatre, and Commication Arts
Joshua Alan Lane
Film, Theatre, and Commication Arts
James Joseph Lyons †
Film, Theatre, and Commication Arts
Adam Joseph Schwartz *
Film, Theatre, and Commication Arts

Master of Arts

Allaye Bah
Romance Languages
Juan Francisco Barcena-Mellero
Romance Languages
Ashley Elizabeth Barckett
History
Gretchen Theresa Anne Brinker
Communications
Diana Frances Buckley
Arts Administration
Christian Carlsen
English
Martha Durham Castro
Romance Languages
Jeremy Allen George †
History
Kellie Jewell Gleason †
Arts Administration
Peter Edward Hagan III †
Communications
Elsie R. Hyacinthe Bouchette
Romance Languages
Michael Oscar Indest Jr.
Arts Administration
Richard John Kessinger III †
Sociology
Katherine Elizabeth Kidder
English
Jennifer Rainey Kooken
English
Joselin S. Landry †
Sociology
Dana Marie Lasseigne †
English
Holly Nicole Lemoine
Political Science
Mary Beth Buckley Lewis
English
Blanca Alicia López
Romance Languages
Robert Daniel Schleicher
Political Science
William Christy Smith
Arts Administration
Olga Korovina Vaz
Romance Languages
Ivette Y. Velasquez
Romance Languages

Master of Arts in English Teaching

Catherine Famiglio Tanguis
Michael David Toups †

Master of Arts in History Teaching

Victoria Anne McCardell

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

Master of Music

Sandra Marie Johnson †
Charlene Childers Strain †
Timothy Daniel Sullivan

Master of Science

Muhammed Sayeedul Islam
Urban Studies
Lauren Elise Lastrapes
Urban Studies
Phyllis Ellard Mayo *
Urban Studies
Harry Richard Yelton
Urban Studies

Master of Urban and Regional Planning

Thomas Christopher Haysley *
William Alan Phillips
Bill Merrell Spivey

Bachelor of Arts

Spencer John Abadie
Colleen Stephanie Able
Jessica Lee Adams
Danielle J. Adomaitis
Deminic Marc Agoro-Ombaka
Cum Laude
Peter Christopher Alongia
Stephanie Mayoral Armond †
Nicholas T. Asprodites III
Andrew John Becker Jr.
Justin Trevor Blackwell
Summa Cum Laude
Krysten Blair *
Cum Laude
RuthAnn Margaret Blake
Wesley James Blanchard
Cum Laude
Ashley A. Bonner
Brekk Mazimpaka Botne
Hind Bouachrine †
Angela Marie Bramande
Adam R. Brim
Stephanie Theresa Brunet †
Maria Christina Bucalan
Nicholaus William Bunting
Ryan James Burke
Marie Anthoanette Carrillo †
Katherine Leigh Carter †
Stephen Nicholas Carter
Kenisha Sharie Charles †
Katharine Sue Chosa
Cum Laude
Kenneth L. Cooper Jr.
Jalicia Marie Corley
Josh August Crouchet †
Hannah Faith Dailey
Cum Laude
Justin Bryan Lane Davis †
Allen Louis Dejan Jr. †
Victoria Barbara Delacroix
Stephen Joseph Delbert
Kathryn Elizabeth Dickerson
Julianne Michelle Dodds
Magna Cum Laude
Cherie Renee Dominic
Matthew Michael Drachenberg
Carly Danielle Dufour
Magna Cum Laude
Curtis Gerard Dugas
Zachary Earl Edwards
Sharell Yvette Ellis
Jennifer Rani Fletcher

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
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Jade Marie Flynn
Erin Melissa Fogarty
Dantrell Xavier Ford †
Marie-Rony Fougere
Garrett Paul Fried
Alex N. Gaidouk †
Steven Capdepon Garcia
Daniella Lucia Gassen †
Asia Reneé Gilbert
Elena Maria Glaviano
Mary Ann Gomez
Raquel Gonzalez
John Dewayne Gore
Sarah May Graff
Rex G. C. Gregory
Jennifer Julissa Guerrero Funes
Stephen Louis Guertin
Cum Laude
Justin Michael Hamilton †
Teyonda ReShon Hamilton
Joshua Harris
Roddrick Christopher Harrison
Rebecca Hart
Keisha Dominique Hayes
Cum Laude
Charles Joseph Helmke †
William Ewing Hester
Jonathan Conrad Hill
Cum Laude
Samuel Patrick Holton †
Owen Merle Hornstein III
Carlin Darnez Jacobs
Shaena Ja'Nine Johnson
Shelbie Doris Johnson
William Guy Johnston
Megan Kristina Kassabian †
Kriten Bridget Kelley
Alvin Joseph King Jr †
Antonia Marie Knouse
Keri Ann Krycki †
Cum Laude
Holly Lynn Lambert
Sarah Alicia Lathrop
Christie Rene Laurant
Miranda Kay Lavoi
Charles Peter LaVoy
Cum Laude
Kristy Marie Leonard
Cum Laude, University Honors and Honors in English
Kristin Marie Lewis
ShaQuaella ShaVette Lewis
Joshua Hamilton Lilly
Phillip Michael Lirette
Brian Pittman LoGiudice
Jennifer Schmidt Macias †
Michael John Maggiore
John James Mangipano *
Summa Cum Laude
Frances Goodell Marley
Cum Laude
Michelle Neely Marshall
Cum Laude
Jacky G. R. Mathieu †
Magna Cum Laude
Carey Lee Matthews II †
Elise Christine McKendall
Kevin Sean McKenna
Sharon Marie Meche
Brock Logan Miller
Joshua Stephen Millwood
Ava Marie Monnet
Katie Jane Morgan
Alice Eunicé Morris
Eeman Mousa
Sean Seosop Muggivan
Sean Franklin Munro
Randall Cory Myers
Jennifer Louise Navarre †
Linh T. Ngo
Duy Quang Nguyen
Huy Truong Nguyen
Tuan Van Nguyen
Kadia Juanita Nnedu
Mallory Marie O'Neill
Joanna Sandra Oubre
Kami L. Ownbey
Cum Laude, University Honors and Honors in Philosophy
Wanda Kay Palmisano Leigh

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*

***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

Carrie Lynn Panter *
Magna Cum Laude
Josie Lazette Parden †
Magna Cum Laude
Kevin Sadler Pepersack
Ethan Earl Perkins
Joanna Marie Peters †
Tyra Marie Peterson
Maria Vyacheslavovna Pfenninger
James McKinne Proche
Gabrielle Madeleine Puneky
Reneé Nicole Ragucci
Ryan Christopher Ray
Sarah Elizabeth Richoux
Cum Laude
Rachel Leigh Rickoll
Jonathan Brett Rico
William Edward Rintala
Stephen J Robertson †
Gonzalo Guillermo Rodriguez Jr.
Shanna Colleen Rooney †
Douglas Daniel Rosenthal
Jonathan David Sauer
Elka Lillian Schmidt
Nicholas Richard Schroeder †
Laura Ann Signorelli
Laura Alexa Silverberg †
Nicole Elizabeth Simmons
Hussein Skaikay
John Bernard Slattery
Jeremy Russell Smith
Michael Ryan Tallon
Lia June Threat
Danielle Catherine Tollerson
Timothy Kenneth Trepagnier
Daniel Robert Trice
Latasha Monique Turnbough
Hali Gabrielle Ungar
Katie Elizabeth VanVrancken †
Jason Anthony Waggenspack
Andrea Elaine Watson
Mark Victor Weliky
Claude Volaska White
Laura Ann Murielle Williams
Jennifer Elodia Wilson †
Barbara Toby Wizer †
Jeff Arthur Zschiedrich †

Bachelor of Science

Darin Joseph Acosta
Caryn Ainsley Blair
Jason Bentley Blair
Caitlin Mary Heckathorn
Eric Jared Iglesias †
Ava Marie Monnet
Charles Deck Odom II

†Summer Graduate
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

College of Sciences and General Studies Program Commencement

Saturday, December 20, 2008

PROGRAM

PRESIDING
Dr. Steven G. Johnson, *Interim Dean*
College of Sciences

PROCESSIONAL

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Ryan Garrity

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Dr. Juliette Ioup, *Professor of Physics*
The University of New Orleans

CONFERRING OF DEGREES
Dr. Timothy P. Ryan, *Chancellor*
The University of New Orleans

ALMA MATER
Ryan Garrity

RECESSIONAL

COLLEGE / PROGRAM MARSHALS
Britt Bromberg
Miriam Daunis
Ioannis Georgiou
Dan Harper
Kenneth Holladay
Lauren Lotz
Golden Richard
Laura Scaramella
Elizabeth Taylor
Gerard Williams

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College of Sciences

Steven G. Johnson, Interim Dean

Doctor of Philosophy

Andrea Bourgeois-Calvin †
Engineering and Applied Science – Earth and Environmental Science
B.S., Loyola University, New Orleans, 1997
M.S., University of New Orleans, 1999
Dissertation: *Relationship between Land Use and Surface Water Quality in a Rapidly Developing Watershed in Southeast Louisiana*
Major Professor: Ronald K. Stoessell

Kan Chen
Chemistry
B.S., Nanjing University of Chemical Technology, 1996
M.S., Shanghai Second Medical University, 2001
Dissertation: *Applications of Mass Spectrometry to Analysis of Prodiginines, Bioactivated Methylenedianiline Intermediates, and Hypoxia Induced Changes in the Zebrafish Skeletal Muscle Proteome*
Major Professor: Richard Cole

Sherwin Cheuk
Chemistry
B.Sc., US Military Academy, West Point, 2002
Dissertation: *Glucose and Glucosamine Derivatives as Novel Low Molecular Weight Gelators*
Major Professor: Guijun Wang

Zakhia Ford
Chemistry
B.S., Xavier University, 2000
Dissertation: *Application of X-ray Diffraction Methods and Molecular Mechanics Simulations to Structure Determination and Cotton Fiber Analysis*
Major Professor: Edwin Stevens

Chanel Fortier
Chemistry
B.S., Louisiana State University, 2000
Dissertation: *Preparation, Characterization, and Application of Liposomes in the Study of Lipid Oxidation Targeting Hydroxyl Radicals*
Major Professor: Matthew Tarr

Abeer Khanfar
Engineering and Applied Science – Mathematics
B.S., University of Western Ontario, 1996
M.S., University of New Orleans, 1999
Dissertation: *Multiple Solutions on a Ball for a Generalized Lane-Emden Equation*
Major Professor: Ralph Saxton

†*Summer Graduate*
**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
***Member, Omicron Delta Kappa*

Otto Thomas Lorenz Jr. †
Conservation Biology
B.S., Western Michigan University, 1994
M.S., Southeastern Louisiana University, 2001
Dissertation: *Effects of interspecific competition, salinity, and hurricanes on the success of an invasive fish, the Rio Grande cichlid (Herichthys cyanoguttatus)*
Major Professor: Robert C. Cashner

Cosmin Radu
Engineering and Applied Science – Physics
B.S., Al Cuza University of IASI, 1999
M.S., Al Cuza University of IASI, 2001
Dissertation: *Study of Magnetization Switching in Coupled Magnetic Nanostructured Systems*
Major Professor: Leonard Spinu

Sarada Sagiraju
Chemistry
B.Sc., The Pragalhi Degree College for Women 1996
M.S., University of Hyderabad, 1998
Dissertation: *Synthesis and Spectroscopic Study of Anticancer agent A-007 Prodrugs and Progress Towards the Synthesis of Tetramic acid Antibiotics*
Major Professor: Branko Jursic

Ming Zhang †
Chemistry
B.S., University of Science and Technology, 2002
Dissertation: *Nonaqueous Synthesis of Metal Oxide Nanoparticles and their Surface Coating*
Major Professor: Charles O'Connor

Zhiyu Zhao †
Engineering and Applied Science – Computer Science
B.A., Huazhong University of Science, 1997
M.S., University of New Orleans, 2006
Dissertation: *Robust and Efficient Algorithms for Protein 3-D Structure Alignment and Genome Sequence Comparison*
Major Professor: Christopher M. Summa

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**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
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Master of Science

Kenneth Charles Armond Jr. †
Computer Science
Asani Deanna Brewton
Earth & Environmental Science
Srawan Kumar Burla
Computer Science
Andrew Thomas Cristina
Computer Science
Maciek Dabrowski
Computer Science
Mark Chadwick Ellinwood
Earth & Environmental Science
John William Finigan †
Computer Science
Santu Ghosh †
Mathematics
Jing Gong
Mathematics
Xiaohu Li
Mathematics
Lissa Anne Lyncker †
Biological Sciences
Danielle Renee Meert
Biological Sciences
Sepehr Merat †
Computer Science
Eric W. Normand
Computer Science
Rajesh Kumar Pothineni
Mathematics
Said Raki
Mathematics
Brian Christopher Roux
Computer Science
Venkata Bapiraju Sagiraju †
Mathematics
Tiffany Pitts Simpson †
Psychology
Shashidhar Sorakayala
Computer Science
Tomoko Sugihara
Mathematics
Mitsuru Tanaka †
Computer Science
Maria Elena Tanase †
Physics–Applied
Sonny Tran-Hai Vo
Computer Science
Jungqi Wu
Computer Science
Zhiguo Zhang †
Computer Science

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**Member, Phi Kappa Phi*
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Bachelor of Science

Qasim Kadhim Alkhafaf
Cum Laude
Jessica Killgore Alvendia †
Iftekhar Amin
Laurie Melissa Arena
Amanda Arthur
Brittany Ann Bates
Cum Laude
Kaleana Michelle Batiste
Yasmin Nichole Bennie †
Shirley Moore Bernadas
Chloé Elizabeth Bourgeois
Cum Laude
Essie Hogan Broussard
Jordan Amanda Buccola
Mandy Lynn Burke
Joseph Berman Burwell
Ashley Elizabeth Bush
Lashawn Kemeisha Cheatham
Michelle Renee Ciuffi
Kerry Comeaux
Kate Elizabeth Crews
Christopher Austin Darby
LaBrittany Rashun Davis
Dana Nicole DeFelice
Chelsey Ann Dobson
Nikole Leigh Dominique †
Stephanie Maria Ducros
Patrick Vincent Dugais †
Peter O. Edel Jr.
Elizabeth Marie Estevez
Tralana Dejhawn Eugene
Angela Marie Even
Tracy Faustermann
Kelli Drouant Fenerty
Kimberly Elizabeth Ferris
Jessica Nicole Frught
Lindsay Furst
Karen Marie Fuselier *
Cum Laude
Ronald Joseph Giardina Jr.
Sean David Giblin †
Sarah Christina Gomez
Kristin L. Greer
Brian Joseph Guess
Cum Laude
Neomi Charlette Guess
Robert Lavern Harold III
Benjamin Patrick Harrington
Eric Briggs Heigle †
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